

Br. Anthony Peter Smulders, CFMM, died 19 April 2009 of heart failure. Br. Smulders, Tony, was born July 6, 1942 in Oss, The Netherlands, in the back of a brewery as he was fond of pointing out. He graduated from St. Stanislaus T. T. C., Tilburg in 1962 with a degree in education and psychology and with distinction from Loyola University of Los Angeles in 1966 with a B.S. in biology. In 1970, he earned a Ph.D. in physiology from the University of California, Los Angeles.. A life-long educator, Tony taught elementary school in The Netherlands and high school in Oxnard, California. He joined the faculty of the biology department at Loyola Marymount University (LMU) in 1970 where he continued to teach until his death. He was always involved in teaching the general biology courses, winning University Teacher of the Year and College of Science and Engineering Outstanding Teacher. In spite of his many years of teaching he worked to remain current in modern teaching technologies, maintaining his own website for his general biology course as well as creating podcasts of all his lectures, also available on the internet. He served as associate dean of the College of Science and Engineering for 23 years.

Tony was actively involved in advising students interested in careers in the health professions. He was a member of both the regional and national Association of Advisors for the Health Professions (WAAHP and NAAHP) from 1970-2008. He held leadership positions in both organizations for 25 years including president, secretary-treasurer and historian. He was instrumental in reviving these organizations in the 1970s and was recognized in 2008 with a national lifetime service award.

He also served for more than 30 years as moderator of the LMU chapter of the Alpha Delta Gamma fraternity. He was the National Moderator of the fraternity from 1980-2003. In 2007 he was bestowed the organization's highest individual honor, the ADG National Award of Merit in recognition of his outstanding service to the fraternity.

In addition to his commitment to education on the LMU campus, Tony was also active in AYSO, the American Youth Soccer Organization where he served as referee, youth referee, staff member and referee instructor, spending many weekends and summers on the soccer field with players, coaches and referees. He was also an avid fan and always followed the World Cup competition.

For many years his professional interests have revolved around policy concerning narcotics and alcohol abuse programs. He was a member of the Los Angeles County Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Commission where he served two terms as chair. He was also a member and chair of the State Advisory Board on Drug Programs. He participated in the development of the Los Angeles County evaluation system at the UCLA Integrated Substance Abuse Program and recently he has been working at UCLA's Drug Abuse Research Center on projects related to juvenile offender treatment. He was often called on to testify in governmental hearings and to serve as an expert for news and other non-governmental organizations.

He joined the Brothers of Our Lady, Mother of Mercy (CFMM) in 1959 and remained an active member of the order and community. He is a member of the National Assembly of Religious Brothers and served on its national board. He was a member and chair of the Brotherhood Recognition Committee and liaison to the Sisters' Council for the Los Angeles Archdiocese Council of Religious Brothers.

He is survived by a sister and a brother and their spouses, five nieces and nephews, and several grand nieces and nephews, all in The Netherlands. He was predeceased by a brother and a sister.